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DATE OF NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE: April 27, 2005
SERIAL NO. 10/639,944**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE****Patent Application**Applicant(s): H. Bacha et al.
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Filing Date: August 13, 2003
Group: 2132
Examiner: Kambiz ZandI hereby certify that this paper is being transmitted on this date via facsimile to
Kimella Rogers of the United States Patent and Trademark Office at (703) 746-6841.Signature: Date: November 22, 2005Title: Vault Controller Supervisor and Method of Operation for
Managing Multiple Independent Vault Processes & Browser
Sessions for Users in an Electronic Business System**TRANSMITTAL LETTER**Mail Stop Petition
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Submitted herewith are the following documents relating to the above-identified patent application:

- (1) Petition for Withdrawal of Holding of Abandonment; and
- (2) Statement of Facts in Support of Petition for Withdrawal of Holding of Abandonment with Exhibit.

In the event of any non-payment or improper payment of a required fee, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge or to credit **International Business Machines Corporation Deposit Account No. 09-0459** as required to correct the error.

Respectfully submitted,



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PETITION FOR WITHDRAWAL OF HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT

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Sir:

Applicants received a Notice of Abandonment dated November 11, 2005 in the above-referenced application. The Notice stated that Applicants had failed to pay the Issue Fee and Publication Fee within the statutory period of three months from the mailing date of the Notice of Allowance.

However, Applicants paid the Issue Fee and Publication Fee on June 3, 2005. A confirmation copy of the PTOL-85 was acknowledged by the PTO. It is therefore believed that the Notice of Abandonment was issued in error by the PTO.

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A Statement of Facts with an associated exhibit is filed concurrently herewith. The exhibit attached to the Statement of Facts is a copy of the return PTOL-85 form stamped by the PTO acknowledging receipt of the payment on June 3, 2005.

In view of the foregoing, and the Statement of Facts and its associated exhibit, Applicants respectfully submit that the Notice of Abandonment was issued in error. Applicants respectfully request that the holding of abandonment be withdrawn, and that the application be permitted to proceed to issuance.

Applicants further request that they be provided with any adjustment in patent term to which they may be entitled, to offset the delay in issuance attributable to the failure of the PTO to process the payment of the Issue Fee and Publication Fee.

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**STATEMENT OF FACTS IN SUPPORT OF PETITION FOR
WITHDRAWAL OF HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT**

I, Robert W. Griffith, hereby declare that:

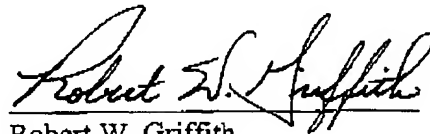
1. I am an associate in the law firm of Ryan, Mason & Lewis, LLP, having an address at 90 Forest Avenue, Locust Valley, New York 11560, and was responsible for preparing and filing the above-identified patent application.
2. On April 29, 2005, I received a Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due dated April 27, 2005.
3. On May 17, 2005, the issue fee was sent to Lynne D. Anderson of IBM Corporation to hand deliver the Issue Fee and Publication Fee. The issue fee was received by the PTO on June 3, 2005. A copy of the issue fee transmittal is attached hereto as Exhibit 1.
4. On November 17, 2005, I received a Notice of Abandonment dated November 11, 2005, indicating that Applicants had failed to pay the Issue Fee and Publication Fee as required in the Notice of Allowability.

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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NOTICE OF RESCINDED ABANDONMENT

- ☒ In response to your communication filed _____
- ☒ Through inadvertence, a Notice of Abandonment was mailed in the above-identified application. The Notice of Abandonment is hereby rescinded. The issue fee receipt will be mailed within six weeks.

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